**Antibody Testing**

Calderdale LMC is aware that practices have received kits to be able to offer the above testing for staff. Recognising every practice can make their own decision on proceeding with the tests as supplied, we are offering the following advice on this matter.

Calderdale LMC together with various LMCs nationwide have raised a number of concerns regarding this testing. At present we are asking for further clarity on a number of areas which include the purpose and clinical benefit of such testing, and if implemented how this can be provided in an appropriate and safe manner that complies with contractual requirements, along with clarity on what the resource implications for practices in providing this for staff. We also note that this would usually be the role of Public Health or Occupational Health and therefore whether this service would be more appropriate for commissioning.

We anticipate providing further information and clarity as soon as we have more information.

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